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AGAINST LAX SECURITY MEASURES

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The American imperialists are anxious for a new war. To make it easier to start a new war, they are constantly engaged in espionage against the People's Democracies and the Soviet Union.

From the end of the war in 1945 until February 1948, it was relatively easy for the imperialists to obtain information about Czechoslovakia. The leaders of the reactionary political parties showed their loyalty to these imperialists by providing them with all types of important information. Jan Stransky, a Representative to the National Assembly and the son of the Minister of Education, held cocktail parties in his home every week. To these parties were invited the members of foreign diplomatic missions, all of whom are known to have been capitalist spies.

Espionage reports can be assembled in two ways:

1. Foreign intelligence may infiltrate its people into offices and institutes where important work is going on, in order to obtain reports directly.
2. Bits and pieces of information may be picked up by intelligence and fitted together to give an over-all picture of the particular activity it is interested in.

It is necessary to point out that there are actually offices in which confidential and secret documents are left out on the tables at night, and where scrap paper of this nature is thrown away in ordinary waste baskets. Classified documents are also taken home at night for study, a very dangerous practice.

Too many visits are allowed to factories throughout the country. A trained technician needs only a short glance into a factory to know a great deal about its capabilities.

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Even though the editors of the country's newspapers are usually careful, mistakes are made every day, particularly in the provincial press. One local newspaper devoted considerable space to praise a new airfield which was being constructed in the vicinity, and gave complete details on the new field. Even the mention that a particular factory is facing production difficulties because of a shortage of a specific material may seriously damage the country's economy.

It must be appreciated that an active struggle with foreign espionage is the duty of every worker and every citizen.

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